

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of:	§	Group Art Unit: 3623
Clark, et. al.	§	Confirmation No.: 6028
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Serial No.: 09/941,252	§	Examiner: Sterrett, Jonathan G.
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Filed: August 28, 2001	§	Attorney Docket No. AUS920010723US1
	§	
Title: System and Method for Anonymous	§	IBM Corporation, IP Law Department
Message Forwarding and	§	11400 Burnet Road
Anonymous Voting	§	Internal Zip 4054
	§	Austin, Texas 78758

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE PRIMARY EXAMINER**  
**TO THE BOARD OF APPEALS**

Commissioner for Patents  
 Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Appeals from the Decision of the Examiner mailed January 24, 2007, rejecting claims 1, 3-9, 11-17, and 19-24. Prosecution was reopened after Applicants filed an Appeal Brief on November 9, 2006. Applicants hereby initiate a new appeal, as permitted by MPEP § 1207.04, by timely filing this Notice of Appeal.

Applicants respectfully request that the fee for the previously filed Notice of Appeal, filed on June 29, 2006, be applied to this filing, per MPEP § 1204.01, as a final Board decision was never rendered in the previous appeal. Therefore, no fee is believed due for the filing of the present Notice of Appeal.

Respectfully submitted,

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